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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 840
By Westmoreland

A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Dwain Emory Arnold, a teacher at Washington Elementary School.

WHEREAS, teaching is one of our most important professions; if a child is taught the value of getting a good education, the likelihood of he or she being successful increases significantly; and

WHEREAS, Dwain Emory Arnold, a respected and beloved multiage intermediate (3rd-5th) grade teacher at Washington Elementary School in Kingsport, Tennessee, who received the 1997 Presidential Award for Excellence in science and mathematics teaching, is clearly one of Tennessee's best and brightest teachers; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Arnold received his B.A. in elementary education from Berea College, in May, 1986, and an M.S. degree in counseling and human development from Radford University in August, 1989; and

WHEREAS, Dwain Arnold served admirably in the Martin County Schools, Martin County, Kentucky from 1986-1987 (multiage 2nd-3rd); Scott County Schools, Scott County, Virginia from 1987-1988 (Gifted/Talented Instructor); and Kingsport City Schools, Kingsport, Tennessee from 1988-present (1988-1991 Grade 2 – 1991-1994 Grade 5 – and 1994-present multiage intermediate); and

WHEREAS, this distinguished educator has been widely praised for his extraordinary compassion and competence throughout his twelve years of teaching; and

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WHEREAS, Dwain Arnold is an active member of the Kingsport Education Association, National Education Association, International Reading Association, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, State Department of Education and Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Arnold's professional endeavors include his participation as a Staff Development Instructor for "Implementing Geometry in the Classroom", "Dimensions of Learning" "Multiage Education", "Assertive Discipline Workshop", "21st Century Classroom Teacher Training", "AIMS Training", and "Great Books Foundation Training"; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Arnold has served with probity on the City of Kingsport Strategic Planning Team, Faculty Leadership Team, Program Improvement Team, in addition to his work as a Textbook Adoption Committee, System-Wide Curriculum Restricting Committee and Teaching Team Leader, and Supervising Teacher for Student Teachers; and

WHEREAS, a model representative of the true spirit of the Volunteer State, Dwain Arnold's distinguished community service record includes his work as the children's music director of Gate City United Methodist Church, children's services coordinator for Gate City United Methodist Church, and the recreation director and counselor for summer youth camps; he has also contributed his significant talents as a member of the PTA executive board, his church choir, church administrative board, education committee, music committee and nominating committee; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Arnold has been honored as the 1996 George Washington Elementary School's Teacher of the Year, the 1996 Kingsport City Schools' Elementary Teacher of the Year and recipient of the 1997 Presidential Awards for Excellence in Science and Math teaching for Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this legislative body honor those outstanding educators who have committed themselves to the development of this state's most treasured natural resource, our children; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE-
HUNDREDTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE
CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Dwain Emory Arnold for his exemplary service
to his students and the teaching profession.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared
for presentation to Mr. Arnold with the final clause omitted from such copy.